(*c*) the number of times he joined duty since he got admission in the College?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No leave was granted to Mr. Chacko for prosecuting collegiate education.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) He was given acting appointments whenever he was available in the office when vacancies occurred.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Is Mr. Chacko on leave?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Has he applied for leave?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No; he has not. He wanted permission to be relieved so that he might join the college.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): So, he is not in service now?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No; he is not in the service now.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): How many times has he joined duty and how many times has he been relieved?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Twice, I think; that is what I find from the records.

The Madras Medical College and the Travancore students therein.

287. MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Travancore students in the Madras Medical College have to pay a fee of Rs. 400 per annum, while the British Indian students need pay only Rs. 200 per annum;

(*b*) whether they are taking steps to enable the Travancore students to study in the Madras Medical College for the fees paid by the British Indian students; and

(*c*) whether they are taking steps to reserve a fixed number of seats in the Medical College for the admission of Travancore students?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*c*). Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): May I know the steps that have been taken by the Government in the matter?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): We are in correspondence with the Surgeon-General, Madras.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Is it likely to benefit the students who seek admission this year?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): We have asked him whether the Madras Government would be pleased to reserve some seats for the Travancore Students; and his reply is awaited.

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